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SUBJECT: EC NINE EXPERTS REPORT OF CSCE

1. GOL OFFICIAL PAUL HELMINGER, WHO CHAIRS EC NINE

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EXPERT GROUP MEETINGS ON CSCE, GAVE DCM REPORT ON GROUP'S

PROGRESS. HE SAID DRAFTING HAS BEEN COMPLETED ON SECTIONS DEALING WITH BASKET II, BASKET III, MEDITERRANEAN AREA AND FOLLOW-UP. THESE WILL BE PRESENTED TO EC NINE POLITICAL DIRECTORS ON MARCH 18-19 FOR APPROVAL. HELMINGER SAID HE EXPECTS APPROVAL TO BE PRO FORMA AS GOVERNMENTS ARE NOT IN THE PROCESS OF GIVING THEIR UNOFFICIAL APPROVAL SO THAT DOCUMENT CAN BE CIRCULATED DURING NATO REINFORCED POLADS/ECONADS MEETINGS NEXT WEEK. HE ADDED THAT BELGIUM AND U. K. HAD ALREADY CIRCULATED CBM SECTION WITHIN NATO.

2. HELMINGER AND SEVERAL ASSISTANTS DRAFTED THE REPORT WHICH IS QUITE BULKY. SECTION ON BASKET II RUNS 160 PAGES, BASKET III 200 PAGES AND OTHER TWO SECTIONS ABOUT 15 PAGES EACH. ANALYSIS TAKES A FOUR-FOLD APPROACH TO HELSINKI DOCUMENT AND BEYOND. (A) EXPERTS ANALYZED AND AGREED ON WHAT THE WESTERN COUNTRIES ARE ACTUALLY COMMITTED TO DOING AND WHAT ACTIONS NEED TO BE TAKEN. (B) THEY LOOKED AT WHAT BLOC COUNTRIES COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO AND WHAT THEY ARE DOING ABOUT IT. (C) THEY CONSIDERED AREAS FOR ADDITIONAL WESTERN INITIATIVES. BOTH FOR SUBSTANTIVE AND PUBLIC RELATIONS REASONS THEY FEEL THE WEST SHOULD NOT SIMPLY INTERPRET ITS POST-HELSINKI ROLE AS TRYING TO GET BLOC COUNTRIES TO DO MORE, BUT SHOULD SEEK AREAS WHERE WESTERN ACTION AND INNOVATION ARE POSSIBLE. (D) FINALLY, THEY DISCUSSED HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE BELGRADE FOLLOW-ON MEETING.

3. HELMINGER SAID THE EXPERTS ALSO CONSIDERED THE BREZHNEV PROPOSAL ON ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION AND WILL RECOMMEND THAT IT BE DEALT WITH IN ECE IN GENEVA. FARKAS

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